

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): An optical pickup apparatus which modulates intensity of a light beam based on data to be recorded on an optical recording medium and emits the light beam, of which intensity is modified, to the optical recording medium, the optical pickup apparatus comprising:

an emission device which emits the light beam to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam consisting of a plurality of pulsed lights and single-pulse beam consisting of a single pulsed light depending on the data, and depending on whether a recording period is a predetermined period, wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of the data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the data, and wherein the emission device emits the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period, and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection device which detects at least part of the light beam emitted from said emission device;

an acquisition device which acquires an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value during a predetermined period;

a storage device which stores, as a target sampling value, a sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value;

an error calculation device which calculates error between the stored target sampling value and the acquired sampling value; and

a control device which controls the output intensity level of the light beam emitted from said emission device, based on the calculated sampling error.

Claim 2 (Original): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a period setting device which sets the predetermined period for said acquisition device to acquire the emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value.

Claim 3 (Withdrawn): An optical pickup apparatus which records data on an optical recording medium with multiple kinds of different partial data by modulating a intensity of light beam based on each kind of partial data and emitting the light beam, of which intensity is modified, to the optical recording medium, the optical pickup apparatus comprising:

an emission device which emits the light beam to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using a plurality of pulsed lights and a single-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using one pulsed light, said emission device emitting the single-pulse beam when recording a predetermined first kind of partial data during a predetermined period on the optical recording medium, wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of a predetermined second kind of the partial data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the predetermined first kind of the partial data, and wherein the emission device emits the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period,

and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection device which detects at least part of the light beam emitted from the emission device;

an acquisition device which acquires an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value when recording the space of the predetermined first kind of the partial data during the predetermined period;

a storage device which stores, as a target sampling value, a sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value;

an error calculation device which calculates error between the stored target sampling value and the acquired sampling value; and

a control device which controls the output intensity level of the light beam emitted from the emission device, based on the calculated sampling error.

Claim 4 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 3, when recording a predetermined kind of the partial data during a predetermined period, wherein:

said emission device emits a single-pulse beam; and

said acquisition device acquires, as a sampling value, the emitted light intensity level of the light beam detected by said detection device.

Claim 5 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 3, when recording a predetermined kind of the partial data with a predetermined timing during the predetermined period, wherein:

said emission device emits a single-pulse beam; and

said acquisition device acquires, as a sampling value, the emitted light intensity level of the light beam detected by said detection device.

Claim 6 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 3, when recording a plurality of predetermined kinds of the partial data, wherein:

said emission device emits a single-pulse beam; and

said acquisition device acquires, as a sampling value, the emitted light intensity level of the light beam detected by said detection device.

Claim 7 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said emission device emits a single-pulse beam only when the acquisition device acquires the sampling value.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 3, when the multiple kinds of partial data are identified by the data length of the partial data and when the partial data recorded has a predetermined data length, wherein:

said emission device emits a single-pulse beam; and

said acquisition device acquires, as a sampling value, the emitted light intensity level of the light beam detected by said detection device.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn): The optical pickup apparatus according to claim 3, when the data is recorded by forming marks and spaces on the optical recording medium, a plurality of kinds of partial data are identified by run length recorded in the marks and the spaces, and the partial data recorded has a predetermined run length, wherein:

said emission device emits a single-pulse beam; and

said acquisition device acquires, as a sampling value, the emitted light intensity level of the light beam detected by said detection device.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A light beam emission control method which modulates intensity of a light beam based on data to be recorded on an optical recording medium and emits the light beam, of which intensity is modified, to the optical recording medium, the light beam emission control method comprising:

an emission process of emitting the light beam from an emission device to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam consisting of a plurality of pulsed lights and single-pulse beam consisting of a single pulsed light depending on the data, and depending on whether a recording period is a predetermined period, wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of the data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the data, and wherein the emission device emits

the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period, and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection process of detecting at least part of the light beam emitted from said emission device;

an acquisition process of acquiring an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value during a predetermined period;

an error calculation process of calculating error between a target sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value, the target sampling value is prestored in storage device; and

an emission control process of controlling the emission of the light beam from said emission device, based on the calculated sampling error in said error calculation process.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn): A light beam emission control method which records data on an optical recording medium with multiple kinds of different partial data by modulating a intensity of light beam based on each kind of partial data and emitting the light beam, of which intensity is modified, from an emission device to the optical recording medium, the light beam emission control method comprising:

an emission process of emitting the light beam from said emission device to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using a plurality of pulsed lights and a single-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using one pulsed light, said emission process emitting the single-pulse beam from said emission device when recording a predetermined first kind of partial data during a

predetermined period on the optical recording medium, wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of a predetermined second kind of the partial data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the predetermined first kind of the partial data, and wherein the emission device emits the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period, and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection process of detecting at least part of the light beam emitted from said emission device;

an acquisition process of acquiring an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value when recording the space of the predetermined first kind of the partial data during the predetermined period;

an error calculation process of calculating error between a target sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value, the target sampling value is prestored in storage device; and

an emission control process of controlling the emission of the light beam from said emission device, based on the calculated sampling error in said error calculation process.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): A recording medium wherein a light beam emission control program is recorded so as to be read by a computer, the computer included in a optical pickup apparatus which records data on an optical recording medium with multiple kinds of different partial data by modulating a intensity of light beam based on each kind of partial data

and emitting the light beam, of which intensity is modified, from an emission device to the optical recording medium, said program causing the computer to function as:

an emission control device which controls the emission of the light beam from the emission device to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam consisting of a plurality of pulsed lights and single-pulse beam consisting of a single pulsed light depending on the data, and depending on whether a recording period is a predetermined period wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of the data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the data, and wherein the emission device emits the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period, and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection device which detects at least part of the light beam emitted from said emission device;

an acquisition device which acquires an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value during a predetermined period;

an error calculation device which calculates error between a target sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value, and the target sampling value prestored in storage device; and

a level control device which controls the output intensity level of the light beam emitted from said emission device, based on the calculated sampling error.

Claim 13 (Withdrawn): A recording medium wherein a light beam emission control program is recorded so as to be read by a computer, the computer included in a optical pickup apparatus which records data on an optical recording medium with multiple kinds of different partial data by modulating a intensity of light beam based on each kind of partial data and emitting the light beam, of which intensity is modified, from an emission device to the optical recording medium, said program causing the computer to function as:

an emission control device which controls the emission of the light beam from the emission device to the optical recording medium by switching between a multi-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using a plurality of pulsed lights and a single-pulse beam for recording one item of the partial data using one pulsed light, said emission control device controlling the emission of the single-pulse beam when recording a predetermined first kind of partial data during a predetermined period on the optical recording medium, wherein the emission device emits a write beam of the multi-pulse beam at the time of forming a mark of a predetermined second kind of the partial data, and emits an erase beam at the time of forming a space of the predetermined first kind of the partial data, and wherein the emission device emits the erase beam of the single-pulse beam during the predetermined period, and emits the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam during a period other than the predetermined period;

a detection device which detects at least part of the light beam emitted from said emission device;

an acquisition device which acquires an emitted light intensity level of the detected light beam as a sampling value when recording the space of predetermined first kind of the partial data during the predetermined period;

an error calculation device which calculates error between a target sampling value that serves as a target for the light intensity level of the light beam acquired as the sampling value, the target sampling value is prestored in storage device, and

a level control device which controls the output intensity level of the light beam emitted from said emission device, based on the calculated sampling error.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): An optical pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a level of the write beam of the multi-pulse beam is different from a level of the erase beam of the multi-pulse beam.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): An optical pickup apparatus according to claim 1, ~~further comprising~~[[:]]

~~an APC (Automatic Power Control) area detection device which detects an APC area which is located in a recording area of the recording medium in which the data is to be recorded and which is used to control the intensity of the light beam~~[[,]]

~~wherein an APC timing period based on the APC area detected by the APC area detection device is regarded as the predetermined period.~~

Claim 16 (Canceled).

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): An optical pickup apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein the predetermined period is determined by ~~the control device~~ a controller on its
own.